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IN RE APPLICATION OF :
SHUGO NISHI, ET AL. : EXAMINER: A. J. ZIMMER
SERIAL NO: 10/566,373 :
FILED: JANUARY 30, 2006 : GROUP ART UNIT: 1793
FOR: AMORPHOUS SILICA PARTICLES :
HAVING HIGH ABSORBING
CAPABILITIES AND HIGH
STRUCTURAL CHARACTERISTICS

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR 1.116

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS
ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA 22313

SIR:

Responsive to the Final Office Action dated January 15, 2009, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the above-identified application in view of the following amendment, Declaration under 37 CFR 1.132 of Christian Panz (Panz Declaration) **submitted herewith**, and remarks.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Discussion of the Amendment begins on page 4 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 5 of this paper.